(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(e)	The Himachal Pradesh Ceiling on Land Holdings (Amendment) Bill, 1999	27-10-99	Assented on 29-3-2000.

The State legislations call for examination by the concerned Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India and consultation with the State Governments, wherever found necessary. The concerned Ministries/Departments have been requested to expedite their comments on the two pending Bills.

Facilities for Prisoners

†3988. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that there are many such prisoners in various jails of the country who are ill and cannot be medically treated in the jails.

(b) what facilities Government propose to make available for such prisoners;

(c) the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the number of such prisoners?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (d) 'Prisons' being a State subject, prison management is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. The Central Government does not maintain statistics of sick prisoners. However, the Central Government has been extending financial assistance to the State Govenments for provision of medical facilities in jails.

NHRC on Miserable Conditions of Jails

†3989. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has shown concern and raised objection about the extensively miserable condition of jails and also have expressed desire to review the existing jail laws;

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(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether National Human Rights Commission has also drawn up any outline of the proposed Indian Jail bill; and

(d) if so, the complete details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) and (b) The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) in its Annual Report for the years 1996-97 and 1997-98 had expressed its concern about the condition prevailing in the jails and had also observed that there is need for the replacement of the Indian Prison Act of 1894. The Annual Reports of the Commission alongwith the Action Taken Memorandum have been laid on the table of Lok Sabha.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The outline of the new Prison Bill drawn up by NHRC lays emphasis on a thorough reorganisation of prison system to bring it in tune with the modrern criminology and penological thinking so as to cater to the changed and changing environment of the society in transition.

Tibetan Demonstration in Capital

†3990. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the effigy of Chinese President alongwith China's flag was burnt by the lady Tibetan demonstrators recently in New Delhi on the 41st Lady Rebellion Day;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of Tibetan ladies arrested in this regard; and

(d) the action taken against those ladies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) to (d) On 12 March, 2000 a group of Tibetan women held a demonstration at Parliament Street, New Delhi and burnt the effigy of the Chinese President alongwith 41 pieces of red cloth. Sixty

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